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BEGIN SUMMARY: DURING THE BILATERAL CSCE CONSULTATIONS
FOCUSSING ON CBM'S, THE YUGOSLAVS URGED GREATER IMPLE-
MENTATION OF CBM'S INCLUDING THEIR EXTENSION TO THE
MEDITERRANEAN AREA; SUGGESTED A POSSIBLE LOWERING OF
THE CBM THRESHOLD; REQUESTED INFORMATION ABOUT MBFR
CITING THE FINAL ACT; AND EXPRESSED THE BELIEF THAT
THE MAJOR MILITARY MOVEMENT CBM MUST BE RENEGOTIATED.
THE GERMAN SIDE ADHERED CLOSELY TO THE NATO POSITION ON
CBM'S. END SUMMARY

1. IN ADDITION TO THE INFORMATION ON THE BILATERAL
GERMAN-YUGOSLAV CSCE CONSULTATIONS REPORTED REFTEL,
A FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIAL BRIEFED US ON THAT PORTION OF
THE DISCUSSIONS WHICH DEALT SPECIFICALLY WITH CBM'S.
THE OFFICIAL CONVEYED THE FOLLOWING POINTS OF INTEREST.

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2.H IN OVERALL TERMS, THE YUGOSLAVS PERCEIVED THE FINAL

ACT AS A STEP ON THE WAY TO DISSOLVING THE EAST-WEST BLOCS IN EUROPE. HOWEVER, THEY WERE DISAPPOINTED THAT, THUS FAR, CBM RESULTS HAVE BEEN VERY MEAGER. THEY REITERATED THEIR INTENTION TO IMPLEMENT RIGOROUSLY THE CBM'S CONTAINED IN THE FINAL ACT. THE YUGOSLAVS EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT MILITARY MANEUVERS SEEMED TO BE INCREASING, BUT DISARMAMENT COMMISSIONER ROTH, WHO HEADED THE FRG DELEGATION FOR THE CBM PHASE OF THE DISCUSSIONS, DISPUTED THIS VIEW. THE YUGOSLAVS SAID THEY WOULD GLADLY ACCEPT AN INVITATION TO ANY NATIONAL MANEUVERS HELD BY THE FRG. HOWEVER, ROTH RESPONDED THAT FRG MANEUVERS WERE MOSTLY WITHIN THE NATO CONTEXT.

3. THE YUGOSLAVS INDICATED THAT OTHER APPROACHES TO CBM'S SHOULD BE CONSIDERED, SUCH AS A POSSIBLE LOWERING OF THE THRESHOLD. HOWEVER, THEY ADMITTED IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO OVERCOME THE EXPECTED RESISTANCE OF THE EASTERN STATES IN BELGRADE TO SUCH PROPOSALS. THE YUGOSLAVS WERE NOT TOTALLY DISCOURAGED, HOWEVER, CLAIMING THAT THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY FOR AN EASTERN CHANGE OF HEART. THE YUGOSLAVS THOUGHT THAT THE NEUTRALS AND BLOC-FREE STATES COULD PERHAPS MEDIATE BETWEEN EAST AND WEST AND ATTEMPT TO BRING THEM TOGETHER.

4. THE YUGOSLAVS MADE A PITCH TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ABOUT MBFR, CITING THE FOURTH TIC UNDER SECTION III ENTITLED "GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS" OF THE CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURE PORTION OF THE FINAL ACT. THE YUGOSLAVS CLAIMED THAT THIS LANGUAGE REPRESENTED AN OBLIGATION ON THE PART OF MBFR PARTICIPANTS TO PROVIDE NON-PARTICIPATING STATES WITH RELEVANT INFORMATION

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ABOUT THE NEGOTIATIONS. THE BRIEFER INFORMED US THAT ROTH RESPONDED NONCOMMITTALLY. ROTH DOES NOT BELIEVE THE SOVIETS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ANY SUCH CONSULTATIONS, BUT ANTICIPATES THEY WOULD HIDE BEHIND A WESTERN REFUSAL TO BE FORTHCOMING. SINCE THE POINT MADE BY THE YUGOSLAVS WILL PROBABLY COME UP IN BELGRADE, ROTH BELIEVES IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR NATO TO DISCUSS THE MATTER.

5. THE YUGOSLAVS EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN EXTENDING APPLICATION OF CBM'S TO THE MEDITERRANEAN, ARGUING THAT EUROPE AND THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA WERE INTERDEPENDENT. THE YUGOSLAVS CLAIMED THAT THE MEDITERRANEAN HAD NOW BECOME AN ARMS RACE AREA RATHER THAN AN AREA OF PEACE AS FORESEEN IN THE DECLARATION. THE FRG OFFICIAL ADVISED US THAT THE GERMANS INDICATED THEY WERE NOT INTERESTED IN EXTENDING CBM'S TO THE MEDITERRANEAN.

6. THE YUGOSLAVS BELIEVE THAT THE CBM ON MAJOR MILITARY MOVEMENTS MUST BE RENEGOTIATED. AMBASSADOR PESIC
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FORESAW RESISTANCE FROM THE WARSAW PACT STATES ON THIS QUESTION, EXPRESSING THE BELIEF THAT THE WEST WOULD PROBABLY BE MORE RECEPTIVE TO THE IDEA.

7. DURING THE TWO HOURS DEVOTED TO THE CBM DISCUSSION, THE FRG MADE CLEAR THAT ITS POSITION WAS THAT OF ITS NATO ALLIES. THE GERMANS EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE WARSAW PACT WOULD BE MORE FORTHCOMING IN IMPLEMENTING CBM'S. THE GERMANS DID NOT INDICATE TO THE YUGOSLAVS WHAT FURTHER ACTION THEY INTENDED TO TAKE ON CBM'S, ALTHOUGH THEY DID SAY THAT THEY CONSIDERED THE YUGOSLAV PROPOSALS USEFUL.
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